

ABOUT THE STATE

Happenings of Interest from Different Sections.

Eight weddings took place in Rutland Thanksgiving day and the day before.

Pearl Potter of Belvidere shot at what he thought was a rabbit one day last week and hit one of his horses in the neck, putting the bullet clear through.

MAN AND WOMAN DEAD.

Explosion of Oil Heater Supposed to Have Suffocated Burlington People.

Burlington, Nov. 27.—Firemen responding to an alarm ring in when smoke was discovered issuing from a room in a house at 149 Cherry street Thursday evening, found Mr. and Mrs. William S. Jackson, the occupants of the room, dead when they burst through the door. The man was lying on the floor and the woman on the bed. It is assumed that they were suffocated by smoke occasioned by the explosion of an oil heater while they were asleep.

A brisk fire was going in the room and had already burned a rug, some of the other furniture, and a guest of the man on the bed. The couple were middle-aged. They came here from Greensboro in this state. Jackson was a watch repairer by trade.

SMALLPOX IN BURLINGTON.

Van Ness Quarantined Because of Illness of R. D. McArthur.

Burlington, Nov. 27.—Hotel Van Ness is under quarantine. R. D. McArthur, a representative of Leslie's magazine, having come down with a pronounced case of smallpox, a guest of the house. There are about 60 others in the house when the physician ordered the quarantine and no one was allowed to enter or leave the hotel until he had been vaccinated.

McArthur had been in the city since Nov. 19 and had canvassed some sections quite thoroughly, so it is expected a number of persons were exposed. He was in Rutland earlier in the month, at the time the disease was prevailing there and since has been in New Hampshire before coming to Burlington.

SAVED LIFE BY JUMPING.

Auto in Which Canaan Man Was Riding Struck By Train.

St. Johnsbury, Nov. 27.—O. C. Newhall of Canaan, representative of the Connecticut River Realty company of Stewartstown, N. H., had a fortunate escape from death when a freight train running east on the Maine Central line struck the Wyllie-Knight automobile, in which he was driving to St. Johnsbury, at the last crossing before reaching Miles' pond, about 11 o'clock Tuesday morning. Mr. Newhall jumped from the machine just before the collision.

HOME BREW DEFENDED.

A Chicago View of This Form of Dry Enforcement.

The home brewer buys a can of milk extract and a package of hops, adds yeast and brews a beer of unknown alcoholic content. Possibly if a consumer drank enough of it to float a battleship he might get slightly woozy, but that is doubtful.

It is announced in Washington that the prohibition enforcement officials have decided to stop the sale of malt and hops to the home brewer. As an aside it is remarked that the near beer brewer complains that he cannot compete with the home brewer, and demands that the latter be put out of business.

Malt and hops as sold to the home brewer have many other uses than brewing, and a book of recipes advises what to do with them in baking, making milk, etc., as well as in making a beverage under one-half of one per cent.

The real use, of course, for the majority of purchasers is the brewing of a fermented beverage, but that can hardly be the presumption of law regarding the sale. Suppose it were the legal presumption.

The home brewer furnishes his table with a palatable beverage which Congress may declare but cannot make intoxicating. Many a home brewer wishes Congress could do just that little thing with his home brew, but Congress has limitations other than constitutional. Undoubtedly if the home brewer gets into mischief, he will probably do it with his brew he is outside the law, but he also is in his home, and the law which outlaws him is a draconian, drastic invasion of individual rights for public benefits, and in reaching the public benefit, it ought to have some sense.

If malt and hops can be denied a citizen, how in the name of common sense can he be allowed to have grapes or apples, cherries or dandelions, elderberries or anything else which with or without provocation will accumulate an alcoholic content?

If a citizen takes a basket of grapes and does nothing more than crush them they will be fermenting within a week and he'll have an illegal beverage called wine. If he crushes apples and allows the juice to stand he'll have hard cider. Is he to be denied the possession of fruits because he can combine with them against the Volstead act to produce a beverage for his own table?

The law thus pressed becomes a tyranny. It invades the economy of homes and interferes where a despot would close his eyes. Home brewing is almost as old as Anglo-Saxon liberties, and if the brewing had remained in the home there never would have been a liquor question and there never would have been a statutory prohibitionist. If brewing goes back to the homes, if the fermenting of malt and of grapes becomes a part of domestic economy for domestic use, the liquor question is solved much more easily than it can be solved by statute.—Chicago Tribune.

Abolishing Precedent.

"I noticed some crepe on the front door of your boarding house."

"Yes, our star boarder died yesterday."

"Who will succeed him?"

"We don't know yet. Ordinarily the landlady appoints a successor, but we have a secret boarding house. We are going to name the new star boarder by a secret ballot."—Birmingham Age-Herald.

NORTH FAYSTON

A heavy snowstorm visited this section of the country the first of the week. Two feet or more of snow fell. Several of the children are out of school on account of having the mumps. One of the teachers, Miss Elsie Long, is also confined to the house with the disease.

The name of Mrs. Austin Delaney was unintentionally omitted from the list of near relatives of Mrs. Sophronie Storey, deceased, mentioned in item of a week ago. Mrs. Delaney was formerly Miss Elsie Proctor, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Charles Proctor.

Mrs. O. Wrisley returned last week to her home from Montpelier, where she had been staying a few days with friends.

Mrs. Will Cota was taken to Montpelier hospital one day last week, the ambulance coming from that city to get her. Her children are being cared for by Mrs. Roy Wilder of Duxbury, a sister of Mr. Cota.

George Thayer of Waterbury was in town one day last week.

The reception given by our recently elected town representative, Al McCullough, was well patronized last Friday night, some over 175 being in attendance. Everyone was entertained with music given by Mr. and Mrs. Frank Smith and Mr. Patterson.

Refreshments were served, which were very plentiful and consisted of all kinds of cake, coffee and ice cream. After refreshments, all those who wished enjoyed themselves by dancing to music furnished by the Smiths and Mr. Patterson.

Mrs. J. H. Boyce went Friday to Newburg for a few days' stay.

Will Nelson and Harold Henry were in Waterbury Sunday.

Henry Nelson was at his home over Sunday from Waterbury.

EAST CORINTH

The body of W. Nelson Worthley was brought here for burial Monday afternoon. Mr. Worthley was for many years a resident of Taplin hill, before moving to Bradford about 17 years ago. He had been in poor health for several years from hardening of the arteries.

The snow, rain and sleet that came the first of the week have made very bad traveling. The stage truck still runs, but a few Fords are seen, but not much teaming is being done. Tuesday afternoon three big state trucks went up through our way to Montpelier and one of them got off the road near Deming's mill and came very near tipping over a bank. It took the other B. P. Boyce in laying the arch in C. W. Jewell's sugar house this week.

Some of our boys from Goddard found the snowstorm quite a hindrance to getting home for Thanksgiving.

Mrs. Leon King has a cousin visiting here.

Miss Pearl Blake is helping in the telephone office here.

J. W. White lost a nice heifer this week.

Prudence George is home for a few days.

Rockland Barber Football Fan Forgot to Mark Ballot.

At the election in Rockland there was a sad story of how one of the well-known barbers in that town lost his franchise. Together with many other citizens of that town, he is an ardent football fan and he more or less forgot the election at the tactics adopted by a visiting team. He had not heard the real version of the affair, however, and when he went to vote noticed the officer inside the railing. He knew that the policeman was well up in football circles in Rockland and so opened conversation with him as to the situation.

After it was explained to him by the chief, he took his ballot and still was muttering his disapproval as he walked into the voting enclosure and marched straight through and deposited it without having been near a booth. He left the hall believing he had cast a straight party vote.—Brookton Enterprise.

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TOOK PHYSIC EVERY NIGHT

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I tried several kinds of physic for over three years; and, of course, while I took it every night my bowels would move; but as soon as I stopped taking physic, I would be constipated and would have pain terribly.

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I recommend 'Fruit-a-tives' to all my friends."

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Enjoys Declining Years As Indian Summer.

She is a little old grandmother—exactly 74 years old. And quite a few little creature she is, knitting stockings for this niece, a sweater for this grandson and tating lace for her new-to-be great-grandchild. Her daughter with whom she lives, the other day remonstrated with her for working so hard. "You don't have to work so hard now, mother," she said. "You've worked all through your summer of life and now at autumn you surely should have a rest."

"I'm not having an autumn of frost and day," the old woman indignantly protested. "My life is too beautiful and too fruitful to label it that way. It's an Indian summer. When I was younger I used to watch old people having autumn when they fretted everybody and were miserable themselves. I worried because I knew that some day I would be old and I didn't want to make anyone, not even myself, miserable. And one autumn I enjoyed Indian summer so much that I decided to have an Indian summer in my life. And," half indignantly, "I don't intend to have you or any other person throwing frost on it to ruin it, either."—Indianapolis News.

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HOT TUBS A LUXURY.

Fuel Shortage in Germany Makes Bathing a Ceremony.

One of the many scarce luxuries in Germany is the hot bath, owing to the coal shortage in German cities. An American school teacher, recently returned from a trip through parts of Germany, discovered that making arrangements for a warm bath was not unlike gaining admission into Lhasa the Forbidden.

"I believe that these conditions are uniform throughout Germany," remarked this young woman, "and perhaps my adventures are typical of persons who have hoarded coal."

"I was stopping with a friend, an elderly woman, fairly well-to-do. A few days after my arrival, I intimated that I would like to take a warm bath. My request seemed to embarrass her, but she said that she would see about it. The next morning I was informed that my bath was ready in the master bathroom—a particularly elaborate chamber, handsomely appointed."

"Here I found a small bowl of warm water placed in a spacious tub. 'Is this all?' I asked the maid. 'When you are ready,' replied the maid, 'your bath will be.'

"A few minutes later she brought me a strange device consisting of a metal receptacle, full of hot water, which she hung on the wall. A tube led from this vessel into a perforated iron collar, which was placed around my neck. And with great solemnity the water was permitted to flow from the vessel into the collar, making a shower bath of short duration. And I was told that this was an unusual favor and that few Germans could enjoy such a bath. For that matter, I didn't enjoy it any too much myself."

After that experience, the American woman decided not to strain hospitality to this extent again, and, despite the protest of her hostess, she started off early one morning to the public baths. Hoping to avoid the crowd, she arrived at 9 o'clock, only to find a placard announcing that the institution did not open until noon. About noon she returned to the huge building.

"Outside the building," she relates, "I found a line, several hundred feet long, of expectant bathers. I asked an attendant how long I would have to stay in line."

"The pool doesn't open until 2," she said, "but if you want a private tub, you can apply to the window below."

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